



No. 47

VOTES and PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FOURTH SESSION – TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

1:30 p.m.

PRAYERS

STATEMENT BY THE SPEAKER (Question of Privilege)

Under provisions of Rule 12(1) of *The Rules and Procedures of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan*, I received notice of a question of privilege this morning Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 11:25 a.m. Upon receipt of the notice, in accordance with Rule 12(3), I immediately informed both House Leaders of the details of the case and the proposed question of privilege.

At page 267 of Maingot's *Parliamentary Privilege in Canada*, 2nd Edition, in the section "Where a Member is the subject of a question of privilege" it is stated: "An apology by the offending Member will invariably close the matter without the necessity of putting the motion to a vote." In the case cited an apology ended the matter. This has also been the custom of this and other Assemblies as outlined by the precedent cited.

In consequence of the apology of the Member, it is my decision that this case need not go further.

PRESENTING PETITIONS

Petitions of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan were presented and laid upon the Table by the following Members: Forbes, Wotherspoon, Vermette, Chartier, and Sproule.

READING AND RECEIVING PETITIONS

According to Order, the following petitions were favourably examined and pursuant to Rule 16(7) read and received:

Of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to stop ignoring schools and start prioritizing students.

(Sessional Paper No. 153)

Of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to take action to repair the damage caused by heavy haul traffic on Dewdney Avenue in the city of Regina.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 7)

Of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to enact legislation requiring parental consent for abortion.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 10)

Of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to increase staffing levels to match the level of needs of residents in long-term care facilities.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 37)

Of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to build a homeless shelter in the Lac La Ronge area.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 47)

Of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to keep Yarrow Youth Farm open.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 105)

Of citizens of the province of Saskatchewan humbly praying that your honourable Assembly may be pleased to cause the government to immediately prioritize education.

(Addendum to Sessional Paper No. 106)

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS

Mr. Steinley, Chair of the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented the Sixth Report of the said committee which is as follows:

Your committee has considered the following bill and has agreed to report the same without amendment:

Bill No. 904 – The Mohyla Institute (1958) Amendment Act, 2014

And further, that the fees respecting Bill No. 904 be waived.

(Sessional Paper No. 161)

On motion of Mr. Steinley:

Ordered, That the Sixth Report of the Standing Committee on Private Bills be now concurred in.

Thereupon, the following bill was reported without amendment and consideration in Committee of the Whole on Bills having been waived, by leave of the Assembly, it was read the third time and passed:

Bill No. 904 – The Mohyla Institute (1958) Amendment Act, 2014

On motion of the Hon. Mr. Cheveldayoff:

Ordered, That this Assembly do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 2:23 p.m. until Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Dan D'Autremont
Speaker

RETURNS, REPORTS, AND PAPERS TABLED

The following paper was laid upon the Table:

By the Hon. Mr. McMorris:

Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements for Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2014

(Sessional Paper No. 162)

NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

On Thursday:

Mr. Forbes to move First Reading of Bill No. 611 – The Student Bill of Rights Act, 2015

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR A SEVENTY-FIVE MINUTE DEBATE

On Thursday:

Mr. Merriman to move the following motion:

That this Assembly supports the government's initiative to save Saskatchewan families an estimated \$10.6 million in 2015 through the indexation of the provincial income tax system, which keeps taxes low and brings young families to Saskatchewan by making life more affordable.

NOTICE OF PRIORITY ITEMS

No. 1 (Opposition)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS AND ORDERS

SECOND READING

Bill No. 609 – The Residents-in-Care Bill of Rights Act

(Ms. Chartier) PRINTED

No. 2 (Government)

Not submitted – Item of business determined pursuant to Rule 24(4).

NOTICE OF WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The following questions were given notice on day no. 46 and are to be answered by day no. 51:

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 907:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What type of power meter was installed to replace the smart meters that cabinet ordered to be removed?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 908:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: (1) How many of the removed smart meters had experienced a failure that was not overheating? (2) What was the nature of those other failures?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 909:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How many of the removed smart meters had experienced an overheating failure?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 910:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: Specifically, how did technical issues combine to result in the failure and/or fires of smart meters removed by order of cabinet?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 911:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What were the technical issues that contributed to the failures and/or fires of the smart meters removed by order of cabinet?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 912:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What was the nature of the failures that occurred in the meters that were installed to replace the smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 913:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How many failures occurred in the meters that were installed to replace the smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 914:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: On which date did the first failure in the meters used to replace smart meters occur?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 915:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: On which date did the most recent failure in the meters used to replace smart meters occur?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 916:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: Were there overheating failures and/or fires in any of the meters that were installed to replace smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 917:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: In how many of the meters that were used to replace smart meters did overheating failures and/or fires occur?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 918:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What technical issues contributed to the failures of the meters that replaced the smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 919:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How are the failures in the meters used to replace smart meters being addressed?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 920:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: What have been the costs incurred to replace any failed meters used to replace smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 921:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: Has SaskPower, to this point, advised the public of the failure of the meters used to replace the smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 922:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: On what date was the Minister Responsible for SaskPower advised of overheating failures and/or fires of the meters used to replace smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 923:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: On what date was the Minister Responsible for SaskPower advised of the overheating failures and/or fires of the meters used to replace smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 924:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How did the Minister Responsible for SaskPower advise SaskPower to proceed after learning about the overheating failures and/or fires of the meters used to replace smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 925:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: On what date was the Premier's office advised of the overheating failures and/or fires of the meters used to replace smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 926:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How did the Premier's office advise SaskPower to proceed after learning about the overheating failures and/or fires of the meters used to replace smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 927:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: On what date was cabinet advised of the overheating failures and/or fires of the meters used to replace smart meters?

Ms. Sproule, to ask the government the following Question No. 928:

To the Minister Responsible for the Saskatchewan Power Corporation: How did cabinet advise the Saskatchewan Power Corporation to proceed after learning about the overheating failures and/or fires of the meters used to replace smart meters?